

## Message Text

PAGE 01 NATO 05810 242121Z

12  
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 PM-04 NSC-05 SP-02 SS-15 CIAE-00 INR-07

NSAE-00 EB-07 SAJ-01 /054 W  
----- 001430

R 241751Z OCT 75  
FM USMISSION NATO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4235  
SECDEF WASHDC  
INFO USNMR SHAPE  
USCINCEUR  
USLOSACLANT  
CINCLANT  
FEDERAL PREPAREDNESS AGENCY-GSA  
USDOC WASHDC  
DEPT OF AGRICULTURE  
DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION

C O N F I D E N T I A L USNATO 5810

COMMERCE FOR BODC&MARAD; AGRICULTURE FOR MR WILSON;  
TRANSPORTATION FOR OET

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS MPOL, NATO, CEP  
SUBJ: EXERCISE HILEX 7 - OCTOBER 22-23 MEETING OF HIGH LEVEL  
EXERCISE PLANNING GROUP (HLEPG)

THERE FOLLOWS BELOW TEXT OF THE REVISED DOCUMENT ON THE PLAY  
OF TRANSPORT OF REINFORCEMENTS (ANNEX A TO AC/287(H-7)-  
WP/7, 2ND REVISED):  
BEGIN TEXT:

1. THE TRANSPORT PLAY FOR HILEX-7 SHOULD BE DEVELOPED TO  
INCLUDE THE EXAMINATION AND TESTING OF THE PREPARATORY STEPS  
AND PLANNING ACTIONS FOR A POSSIBLE ALLIED BUILD-UP AND  
IMMINENT REINFORCEMENT OF NATO FORCES. THIS WILL EXERCISE  
NATIONAL AND NATO CIVIL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROCEDURES,  
INCLUDING ANY NECESSARY STEPS TO MAINTAIN CIVIL ECONOMIES  
AND THE BUILD-UP OF CRITICAL COMMODITIES.  
CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 NATO 05810 242121Z

2. ALERT MEASURES ENVISAGED FOR THIS EXERCISE ARE LIMITED  
TO MILITARY VIGILANCE AND CERTAIN STEPS OF SIMPLE ALERT LATE IN  
THE EXERCISE. ACCORDINGLY, PLANS AND PREPARATIONS TO BRING INTO  
OPERATION THE NCWAS SHOULD ALSO BE ADDRESSED BY THE HOST NATIONS.

3. THE INITIAL PHASE OF A PLANNED BUILD-UP COULD INVOLVE AN INCREASE OF MERCHANT SHIPS ARRIVING IN BOTH THE NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN REGIONS OF EUROPE. IF THE CRISIS CONTINUES TO ESCALATE AND US CONTEINGENCY PLANS ARE REQUESTED TO BE EXECUTED, SHIPS ARRIVALS COULD BE EXPECTED BY.....IN ADDITION TO A FORECAST OF INCREASED US SHIPPING, OTHER ALLIED NATIONAL SHIPPING REINFORCEMENTS MAY ALSO INCREASE, WHICH COULD RESULT IN A PROJECTED SHORTAGE OF SPECIALISED SHIPPING TO MEET CURRENT AND FORECASTED CIVIL AND MILITARY SEALIFT REQUIREMENTS.

4. IN ORDER TO EXERCISE NATO CONSULTATION PROCEDURES AND HOST NATION RECEPTION FACILITIES, THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE WILL ON E-DAY SOLICIT THE VIEWS OF THE DPC AND NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES AS TO THE DESIRABILITY OF ADVANCING THE DATE OF THE INITIAL DEPLOYMENT OF TWO DIVISIONS BEFORE THE PLANNED EXERCISE DATE. THE RATIONALE FOR THIS REQUEST IS THAT THE AVAILABILITY OF THE PRE-PLANNED LOC IS IN QUESTION. A NUMBER OF SITUATIONS ARISING FROM LABOUR UNREST, UNEMPLOYMENT, CIVIL DISORDERS AND WAGE DEMANDS IN PARTICULAR SEGMENTS OF THE TRANSPORT INDUSTRY, ALL OF WHICH WILL TAKE SOME TIME TO SETTLE, WILL BE USED TO DISRUPT EXISTING PLANS.

5. AS PREPARATORY STEPS, HOST NATIONS WILL BE CALLED UPON TO PROVIDE RESOURCES FOR AIRFIELD RECEPTION AND TRANSPORTATION OF THESE FORCES. EXTREME WEATHER AND/OR EQUIPMENT FAILURES AT PRE-PLANNED RECEPTION AIRFIELDS COULD OCCUR WHICH WOULD FORCE THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES TO EXAMINE CONTINGENCY PLANS FOR THE DIVERSION OF REINFORCING UNITS TO CIVIL AIRFIELDS. ANTI-MILITARY DEMONSTRATIONS IN SELECTED AREAS COULD ALSO REQUIRE THE PLANNING FOR USE OF ALTERNATE AIRFIELDS, WHICH IN TURN COULD GENERATE UNPROGRAMMED REQUIREMENTS FOR INTRATHEATRE MOVEMENT OF MILITARY FORCES. THIS WOULD REQUIRE EVALUATION OF THE LIKELY IMPACT ON NATIONAL TRANSPORT AS ALLIED NATIONS PLACE AN INCREASING LOAD ON HOST NATION RESOURCES, WHICH WOULD ULTIMAATELY REQUIRE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PRIORITIES BY CIVIL  
CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 NATO 05810 242121Z

AND MILITARY AUTHORITIES.

6. CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH THIS SITUATION, THE ALLIES PLAN TO CONSIDER HOW TO DISCHARGE LARGE CONTAINER-SHIPS IN THE RELATIVELY SECURE PORTS ON THE WESTERN SIDE OF THE UK FOR TRANS-SHIPMENT OVERLAND AND FURTHER MOVEMENT BY SMALL COASTERVESSELS ACROSS THE CHANNEL. THESE PROCEDURES WOULD BE NECESSARY TO INSURE A RESUPPLY CAPABILITY IN THE EVENT MAJOR CONTAINER-PORTS ON THE CONTINENT ARE DENIED AS A RESULT OF SUBSEQUENT EVENTS. ACCORDINGLY, USER NATIONS REQUEST HOST NATIONS' AUTHORITIES TO ACTIVATE BILATERAL AGREEMENTS WHICH SUPPORT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A WARTIME LINE OF COMMUNICATIONS THROUGH THE BENELUX COUNTRIES TO THE FRG. SEVERAL ACTION/REQUESTS FOR SUPPORT FOR THE NECESSARY CIVIL RESOURCES TO SUPPORT THIS LOC SHOULD BE EXERCISED DURING

THE PLAY OF HILEX-7.

7. THROUGHOUT THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF HILEX-7, PLANNERS SHOULD ATTEMPT TO DEVELOP PROBLEMS WHICH EXERCISE THE CIVIL BODIES OF NATO IN CONCERT WITH THE NATO MILITARY COMMANDERS WHO ARE INVOLVED IN PLANNING FOR THE RECEPTION OF REINFORCEMENTS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF WARTIME LINES OF COMMUNICATION. IN PARTICULAR, THE WARTIME LOC IS A MULTI-NATIONAL FUNCTION WHICH REQUIRES CLOSE MILITARY-CIVIL CO-OPERATION. END TEXT.BRUCE

CONFIDENTIAL

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 18 AUG 1999  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** n/a  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 24 OCT 1975  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** GolinoFR  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1975NATO05810  
**Document Source:** ADS  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** 11652 GDS  
**Errors:** n/a  
**Film Number:** n/a  
**From:** NATO  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1975/newtext/t197510101/abbrzmtk.tel  
**Line Count:** 120  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE  
**Office:** n/a  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 3  
**Previous Channel Indicators:**  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** GolinoFR  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 30 APR 2003  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <30 APR 2003 by BoyleJA>; APPROVED <01 MAY 2003 by GolinoFR>  
**Review Markings:**

Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
06 JUL 2006

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** EXERCISE HILEX 7 - OCTOBER 22-23 MEETING OF HIGH LEVEL EXERCISE PLANNING      GROUP (HLEPG)  
**TAGS:** n/a  
**To:** STATE  
SECDEF INFO USNMR SHAPE  
USCINCEUR  
USLOSACLANT  
CINCLANT  
FEDERAL PREPAREDNESS AGENCY-GSA

USDOC  
DEPT OF AGRICULTURE  
DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION

**Type:** TE

**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006